



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 23, 2004

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed July 23, 2004. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal and a Three Month Extension of Time on January 21, 2005, which were received by the Board on January 24, 2005. Applicants are submitting this Amendment with their Request for Continued Examination, along with a Three Month Extension of Time, making this action due June 24, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection of the claims in view of the amendments and remarks presented below.